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INTERMUNICIPAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN - Town of Elk Point CAO Ken Gwozdz points out details on the Intermunicipal Development Plan prepared by ISL Engineering and Land Services Ltd. for the Town of Elk Point and County of St. Paul No. 19, which was the subject of an open house for town and county residents last Tuesday. County Reeve Steve Upham, County Couns. Darrell Younghans and Kevin Wirsta, Mayor Lorne Young and three councillors attended the event, as well as the County Director of Planning and Development Krystle Fedoretz, Town Bylaw Enforcement Officer Krysten Burton were on hand as well as two ISL Engineering consultants, however only two members of the public came to see the plan for future development of the area bordering the town limits. The draft plan is now in its final stage of gathering input before its final approval later this summer. *Vicki Brooker photo*

Council hears update on golf club

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point town council received its annual update on the Elk Point and District Golf Club, when Don Schultz visited last week's meeting, reporting that weather and the challenged economy left the club "\$30,000 in the red last year. We did a casino in the fall, which gave us some cash flow, but income's down and it's not just here. There's only so much you can do if the weather doesn't cooperate."

The club is cutting down on expenses and has three students hired for this year, two of them under the STEP program, with their workload including keeping the ball diamonds, soccer field and campground in good condition as well as the golf course.

Schultz says the club is in "final negotiations with the Lions Club on a working agreement" which would see the two groups hire a pumping crew in late summer or early fall to pump water from the North Saskatchewan River to the town's former reservoir, which will provide water for the golf course as well as becoming the Lions' new fish pond.

He indicated that the course uses "about 15 million gallons in an average summer" to stay in shape. Power for pumping water is part of the agreement as well, "We plan to fill it to the max. It's an expensive endeavor and we're applying for grants to help pay for it." Schultz estimates the cost will be between \$30,000 and \$35,000. *(Continued on Page 2)*

County may support golf club's water source refill

CLARE GAUVREAU
Staff Writer

County of St. Paul council learned at last week's meeting that the Elk Point Golf & Country Club is suffering a water shortage due to depleted supply in its dugout, which used to be fed with raw water from the Town of Elk Point's reservoir. However, with Elk Point transitioning to a new regional water supply, the water level in the reservoir was not maintained. Water used to be pumped in from the North Saskatchewan River into the reservoir and this is no longer done, which has left the golf course in dire straits when it comes to having enough water to maintain the course.

County council agreed to a motion by Coun. Kevin Wirsta to provide \$5,000

to support the club in its bid to refill the reservoir, conditional upon other parties also providing support. The club is estimating it will cost between \$30,000 and \$40,000 to bring in the necessary equipment to refill the reservoir from the river. Secure Energy has offered up a pump, lines and two field personnel but funding is needed for trucking the equipment in, a skid steer to lay out the line and the 30,000 liters of fuel needed over the estimated 30 days it will take to complete the work.

Negotiations with lot owners

Land acquired by the County of St. Paul from N.E. Muni Corr last fall in Mallaig to correct the encroachment of Railway Avenue has been offered up to the residents whose lots border the prop-

erty. Council had hoped there would be interest on behalf of the 17 landowners to acquire the additional property for their lots, however, while some have expressed interest, not all are on board and the costs associated are proving to be a sticking point for some.

The county has offered to sell the 3.2 acres of land at below market value at \$2,000 per acre. The purchase price for each resident would depend on the amount of land directly in front of their property that be added to their lot.

In May, Reeve Steve Upham and Coun. Laurent Amyotte and administration met with the residents living along Railway Ave. and provided information regarding the increased assessment value of each lot with the additional

land, along with estimated property tax increases.

At that time residents requested the county cover 50 per cent of the survey costs should the municipality move forward with subdividing the land. That request came before council at its meeting last Tuesday but failed to receive support from councillors.

While Coun. Amyotte was hopeful "dangling a carrot" in the form of the county agreeing to pay half of the survey costs to a maximum of \$11,500 might serve to "put this to bed", it did not get the support of council.

"I don't understand how they don't see the value they are getting," Coun. Dale Hedrick said. "It's mind-boggling." *(Continued on Page 2)*

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County briefs

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Reeve Steve Upham said the process is proving to be frustrating and was disappointed some of the property owners "don't understand what we are trying to fix for them."

Council remuneration

Council gave its approval to the format to be used for the monthly posting of council remuneration on the county website.

In April, council passed a motion to publish council remuneration including base salary, meeting per diems, mileage and costs associated with conferences. Since that time, administration has been working on the most appropriate format for posting the information online.

County equipment

Council approved moving \$146,000 out of reserves for future expenditures to enable Public Works to move forward with new equipment purchases totalling \$326,000. Of that total, \$180,000 had already been set aside in the capital budget for equipment. The purchases include a new crane (\$17,000) to replace the 30-year-old one in the welding shop, a plow/sander (\$17,000) for the 1-tons used for driveway snow removal and sanding, a mechanics truck (\$46,000), a gravel truck to replace one that was written off (total value \$220,000 less \$139,000 insurance) and a mechanics service truck (\$165,000).

Golf Course

Mann Lakes Golf Course will get a grant of \$3,856.34, equal to that of its municipal taxes, from the county.

Owners Gerard and Kelly Martin had requested a grant for \$4,699.90, which is total of the 2019 tax notice.

"The grant will help offset expenses so they can improve and maintain the golf course. The grant will allow them to offer reasonable fees for their customers and allow them to continue offering children 10 and under the opportunity to golf for free under the supervision of an adult," noted administration in bringing the request forward to council.

Upham said the golf course is an important recreational asset to county residents.

Intermunicipal collaboration

Frank Coutney, representing Vicinia Planning and Engagement Inc., provided council with a progress report on the development of rural intermunicipal collaboration frameworks (ICF). The company was retained by the regional partnership of the counties of St. Paul, Lac La Biche, Smoky Lake, Two Hills, Vermilion River and the MD of Bonnyville to complete ICFs as required under the Municipal Government Act.

Coutney said five ICF agreements with the county's rural neighbours have been provided to council for review and he would be seeking feedback from them after they've had an opportunity to consider them.

He said the intent of the frameworks is to provide strategic planning, delivery, and funding of shared services, steward scarce resources efficiently and ensure municipalities fund services that benefit their residents.

Services considered in the ICFs include transportation, water and wastewater, solid waste, emergency services and recreation.

He suggested council pay particular attention to the dispute resolution section of the documents and be clear on how it should appear in the final frameworks. "Costs would be part of your initial discussion."

"I think we all agree it would be done on a per capita basis," Acting CAO Tim Mahdiuk said, suggesting to council it may want to be consistent with urban ICFs on the subject.

Upham said relationships with neighbouring rural municipalities have proven to be positive in the past.

"It's been pretty simple. We get along well with our neighbours. There haven't been any points of contention and things seem to flow pretty well."

Oil for Sante Estates

A delegation from Sante Estates, located at Lac Sante, got the support of council for its request for oiling of a half mile on RR 113 leading into the subdivision. Using the argument the county had scheduled oiling for TWP RD. 564 this year, and that Sante Estates is located half a mile south of that road on RR 113, Bob Bunker said with the equipment already on site it would be an "opportune time" to do the work.

The subdivision has 69 lots with 47 of them sold, Bunker said, adding that roads within the subdivision

are oiled and the property owners would like to road leading into the subdivision at the same standard.

"An oiled road up to the entrance of Sante Estates would give the current property owners reassurance that their tax dollars are being put to good use and would also make the remaining properties much more appealing," Stacey Bunker noted in a letter provided to council. "This would mean more lot sales and hence more tax dollars to the county."

Coun. Maxine Fodness moved to approve the delegation's request, however, she pointed out there's no guarantee the TWP RD. 564 would be done this year, even if it is scheduled.

Coun. Kevin Wirsta voted against the motion, pointing out "there are lots of other roads" in the county needing work.

Following the meeting, Wirsta told the Journal he was concerned that if additional projects are added to existing road schedules, work potentially backs up on those already on the list.

Requirement waived

Council approved a request to waive the requirement for an area structure plan for a proposed development of a micro cannabis production facility on NE30-58-9-W4. Council's agreement required it to give three readings to a bylaw to amend the Municipal Servicing Standards to exempt the development from requiring an area structure plan. Meanwhile, the recommendation from administration had been to uphold the standards.

"The project will have no more impacts on the environment and the County infrastructure than a single family home," landowner Louise Severin stated in the letter of request to council. "We propose to build one pre-engineered steel commercial building. There are no future phases planned."

"Being that close to the (Cardinal) lake, is there any responsibility that could fall back on us without doing an area structure plan in terms of environmental (concerns)," Coun. Darrell Younghans questioned.

Coun. Fodness said it was her understanding the development would be "situated on the land so it would have no impact on the lake . . . Council has talked about this before, about encouraging development rather than impeding it."

Town council

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The golf club has run special events to get more people out, and will offer "free golf for kids all summer," provided an adult accompanies them, Schultz said. Special Olympics golfers from St. Paul are also making use of the course.

Computer program

Administration's search for a different software program for preparation of minutes and agendas will be ongoing, when a proposal for one alternative, a program currently used by the Town of St. Paul, was brought back from the May 27 meeting. Kristen Burton, who had attended a webinar on the program, told council "it looks easy to learn." The proposed change is "a matter of efficiency. It would do three steps in one. It took all day to add the public works motions today." The program comes with a number of options, "but we'd only take what we would use."

Council wants to hear more options

before making a decision. Deputy Mayor Debra McQuinn felt it would be "beneficial to find a program without so many options," while Coun. Terri Hampson "would like to see an option used by a town our size." Mayor Lorne Young agreed, and a motion was passed to contact other towns and see what works for their administration.

East Cemetery road

After discussion at the Public Works meeting, it was decided that the town will repair 500 feet of road near the East Cemetery.

Spring Fling

Town council approved a donation of \$1,000 from the Tourism budget toward the Elk Point Chamber of Commerce Spring Fling, which proved to be a huge success. Coun. Hampson, who is also the chamber president, offered to return the \$1,000 or share 40 per cent of the profit, which she said came to \$1,072.93, "or we could keep it and pay in ton the principal of the EcoCentre mortgage."

Council agreed that it should be used to pay down the mortgage principal, with Deputy Mayor McQuinn noting, "I was very happy to hear it was successful."

Water bill

Council denied a request to waive a water bill for a customer who received a hefty bill after a water line break in a vacant rental house. Four similar requests in the past were also turned down. The outstanding amount will be added to the property taxes.

Canada Day

Mayor Young agreed to represent council at the opening ceremonies of the July 1 Canada Day celebrations. Deputy Mayor McQuinn will be the mistress of ceremonies for the afternoon stage show, she told council.

Backhoe repairs

Public Works superintendent Jay Duffee came to council to discuss needed repairs for the 2013 JCB backhoe, which needs a speed sensor and turbo replaced at a cost of approximately \$6,500, which would cause budget overruns for the department. Council agreed that the funds should be taken from the Hired Services and Equipment budget category.

In other Public Works decisions, council moved to cancel the July 4 Public Works Meeting, to spray weeds, paint the sign and remove electrical posts at the north welcome sign, and to ask Federated Co-op for clarification on their plans for two lots they own.

CAO report

In his monthly report to council, CAO Ken Gwozdz said that the sign has now been installed on the Elk Point and County of St. Paul bulk water fill station, with wiring for the lighting still to be installed.

The Airport Grand Opening is slated for July 25, with invitations sent out.

With no reply regarding the provincial grant under the Alberta Water and Wastewater Partnership and the federal ICCF to upgrade the town's lift station, council instructed administration to submit invoices to Alberta Transportation for the pump.

Ditching has been completed at the new RCMP detachment.

Huge thanks went to the volunteer firefighters who helped at the Spring Fling, and to Coun. Hampson and her volunteers who organized it. The event was well attended and "just awesome." Another popular event that weekend, the Burn Out at the car show, was "really liked" by a lot of people, however one email of concern was received regarding smoke, noise and location.

Gwozdz also praised Mayor Young and council and recreation director Cristin Tchir for hosting the Seniors' Pancake Breakfast. Following the breakfast, representatives of the Economic Development Committee pointed out areas of concern along the gateway entrance to Elk Point that they feel require work.



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Forts to celebrate founder's 250th birthday

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff



FORT GEORGE AND BUCKINGHAM HOUSE Provincial Historic Site is well into a very busy 2019 season, with this year's interpretive staff including, left to right, Stacey Janzen, Christina Nawrot, Ashley Bristow and head interpreter Wyatt Telford.

Peter Fidler, born August 16, 1769 in Bolsover, Derbyshire, England, was a surveyor, map maker, fur trader and explorer who had a long career with the Hudson's Bay Company in the country that would become Canada.

Alberta author J. G. McGregor called him "Canada's forgotten explorer," but in Elk Point, which boasts his massive carved wood statue, and especially at Fort George and Buckingham House Provincial Historic Site (FGBH), he is anything but forgotten, as the builder of Buckingham House fur trade fort in 1792, a keen business rival to the North West Company's Fort George, the two sharing today's historic site on the hills above the North Saskatchewan River, the fur trade highway that brought both companies to our area to access its bountiful fur harvest.

When FGBH program coordinator Suzanna Wagner told the Friends of the Forts that Fidler's 250th birthday would be coming up in mid August, they were quick to respond, declaring the following day, Saturday, Aug. 17, as a perfect date to hold their always popular Saskatoon Pie Day perhaps accompanied by a birthday cake to celebrate the major milestone. Watch for further details as the date gets closer.

The Friends were at the Forts for a belated barbecue meet-and-greet, where they enjoyed supper with Wagner, head interpreter Wyatt Telford, returning interpreter Ashley Bristow and new staff members this year, Stacey Janzen and Christina Nawrot, before moving indoors for their meeting.

Telford told the Friends that the site has already had visits from 10 school groups, with "10 to go, one large group of 75 is coming." With weekdays busy for the rest of June, afternoons after 2 p.m. and weekends are the best time to visit the Forts this month, he said.

He is hoping to implement a new version of the Bounty of the Land program that was popular in years past during the summer.

Wagner had more good news for the Friends, with the long awaited history of the site getting closer to ready for publication. The manuscript is ready for final editing and the addition of maps and illustrations.

Chamber's Spring Fling 2019 declared a huge success

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point Chamber of Commerce has declared their 2019 Spring Fling a success, with the family-friendly wrestling show drawing an excellent crowd of all ages from preschoolers to seniors to the A. G. Ross Arena on May 31, and turning a profit that president Terri Hampson estimated at just over \$2,600.

The event was co-sponsored by the Town of Elk Point, and when Hampson offered to pay the town 40 per cent of the profit, council instead moved that the chamber should instead use that sum to pay down the principal on their EcoCentre loan.

Chamber members at last week's meeting discussed whether to add to that payment from their 60 per cent, or to set aside the profits to host future events, including a proposed business mixer for chamber members in October or November, later tabling a decision to the next meeting after it was pointed out that there was even more profit, as the Town's \$1,000 sponsorship had not been added to the event's income.

Business mixers are held in many communities, but

Elk Point RCMP recover copper wire, drugs

ELK POINT RCMP
Review Contributors

On June 11, 2019, the Elk Point RCMP received information about a U-Haul truck involved in property crime in the area of Elk Point. While doing patrols, Elk Point RCMP members located the U-Haul on a property north of town. When members approached the truck, they located a male stripping copper wire.

After further investigation, RCMP arrested a male and seized the U-Haul truck. After conducting a search warrant of the truck, police seized copper wire, a generator, drugs and tools.

A 42-year-old Elk Point man was charged with seven counts of possession of stolen property, possession of break and enter tools, three counts of possession of a controlled substance, and failure to comply with an undertaking.

He was released after a judicial hearing with conditions and is scheduled to appear in St Paul Provincial Court on June 27 2019.

Elk Point RCMP would like to thank the public for the information provided which lead to the arrest.

Anyone with any other information about property crime in the area of Elk Point is asked to contact Elk Point RCMP at 780-724-3964 or your local police. If you wish to remain anonymous, you can contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), online at www.P3Tips.com or by using the "P3 Tips" app available through the Apple App or Google Play Store

this would be a first for Elk Point, Hampson said, adding that she would contact other chambers for details on the events they have had.

Chamber insurance

Jason Desaulniers of BP Group Solutions, which manages the Chambers of Commerce insurance in this area, was a special guest at the meeting and told members has taken over the role formerly held by Bryon Pearman.

BP Group has been in business since 1996 and is based in Cold Lake, providing group benefits to businesses and non-profit organizations through the Johnson Group. A portion of the premiums paid by chamber member businesses goes back to the chamber, the Elk Point chamber receiving \$4,879 last year.

While Desaulniers would be happy to welcome new clients, he says the company's "number one priority is taking care of current clients."

The Chambers of Commerce insurance plan is different from most other companies in that it is one of the only plans that can deal with individuals, and pools businesses large and small to save on costs for both.

New VP

The chamber has a new vice president, following the departure of Bob Ellacott last month. Nathan Parsons, who also replaced Ellacott at Elk Point's Cornerstone Co-op, was nominated to fill the vacancy, and elected by acclamation.

The Tourist Information Centre at the EcoCentre will be opening a few days early, to welcome participants in the Healing Ride which is coming through Elk Point on National Indigenous People's Day, Friday, June 21, on its way from Blue Quills to Frog Lake.

While the 40 to 50 visitors will provide their own food, chamber volunteers will assist with preparing the Friday night supper and Saturday's breakfast using the Town of Elk Point's barbecue.



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EDITORIAL

Here comes summer!

The summer of 2019 arrives this Friday, and opens the door to a season when school is out, provincial and community ball tournaments are on the calendar, and everyone is making vacation plans, trying to fit in all the activities along with road trips, visits to and from friends and relatives, and lazy days at the lake.

The recent rains have removed the fire bans, at least for now, so we can have evenings around a campfire, roasting hot dogs and munching s'mores, and daytime ATV trips on the Iron Horse Trail.

We live in an area that others envy, with lakes only a few miles in every direction, beautiful campgrounds, a provincial park and provincial historic site only minutes away. If time and money doesn't permit longer trips, we've got it all right here, right next door to "The Right Place to Be." Enjoy your summer, everyone!

YOUR VIEWS



RYLEE 'THE ROCKET' WARAWA bunting during Softball Alberta Provincial Playdowns in Elk Point this weekend. Rylee plays for the Bonnyville Angels, who advanced to the Provincial Finals. Story, Page 5.

Photo submitted

SUMMER FUN

'Natural World' theme for Summer Reading Program

DARBY SWEDGAN
Elk Point Municipal Library

Elk Point's Municipal Library is once again hosting their Summer Reading Program and the fun is just around the corner! The theme of this year's program is "Natural World", which will bring forth fun activities, games, reading and field trips for the summer months, all focused around our special environment! We will also be having a magician coming in to fascinate those of all ages with mind twisting tricks!

Registration will run from now until July 2nd. However, we will accept late registrations, but with an administration fee, so be sure to register early! There is also an age limit set for grades K to 6.

The program is set to start on July 8th and as per previous years, there will be two groups; Monday/Wednesday and Tuesday/Thursday.

We hope to see you there, you won't want to miss it!

WAY BACK WHEN...

4-H achievements, arena sale, century of postal service

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE FRONT PAGES OF THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND THE ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 18 IN...

1984

Donna Brooker showed the Grand Champion Steer and her brother John the Grand Champion Heifer at Elk Point 4-H Beef Club's Achievement Day, with first-year member Jodi Vogel and Lyle Yuschyshyn showing the reserve champions. The newly-formed provincial Advisory Committee on Heavy Oil and Oil Sands Development toured the local oilfield and met with officials of the town, the County of St. Paul, the MLA and oil business community representatives.

1989

Elk Point Hospital staff bid retiring Director of Nursing Diana Anderson a sad farewell with the crowd of well-wishers overflowing the hospital cafeteria and sharing reminiscences, with a smiling but teary-eyed Anderson urging the staff to "remember that a good staff is the most important part of a hospital."

1994

The A. G. Ross Arena Operating Committee came to the Elk Point Agricultural Society annual meeting with a request that the Ag Society set up a committee to negotiate the sale of the arena to the Operating Committee, who was willing "to take over thing that costs the most money" to keep operating, according to committee chair Kevin Bjornstad.

1999

Six Elk Point steers, shown by Adam Zapesocki, Shawna Wruth, James Babenek, Clayton Wruth, Melissa DeSilva and Nichole Havener, were in the Parade of Champions at the St. Paul District 4-H Show, with the Babenek, De Silver and Havener steers making it to the final round along with the two St. Lina steers that eventually won the championship.

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2004

Elk Point 4-Hers excelled at both District shows, with Jessica Wirsta showing the Reserve Grand Champion steer and the club winning the Club Display award at the district steer show, Shaun Robinson showing the champion yearling and going on to win the Supreme Champion female at the district heifer show.

2009

Elk Point celebrated a century of postal service, with many former employees joining the current crew for the event, and past postmaster Bill Curry joining the current counterpart Coral Tremblay to cut the anniversary cake. Safety committee members and the management of Canadian Salt marked 1,143,766 hours without a lost-time injury at the Lindbergh works.

2014

Tax incentives for those obtaining building permits for industrial or commercial projects in Elk Point will come to an end on Dec. 31, 2014, following a lengthy debate at last Monday's town council meeting.



4-H MULTI CLUB MEMBERS Lyon Cueva, who showed the Grand Champion sheep, and Kaiden Allen, who showed the Reserve Champion at Elk Point 4-H Multi Club's Achievement Day on Thursday were surrounded by fellow members in the Sheep, Canine, Crafts, Geocaching, Cleavers, Creative Options and Leadership projects and their leaders as the show wound up, with a group of parents and fans in the background adding their congratulations to the club on another successful year

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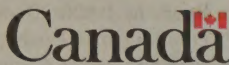
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Blues, Raptors win!

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That's a wrap!!

SHockey is over; St. Louis is no longer singing the Blues! And the Raptors win it all too. Never thought I would be a fan but I did watch some of it and it was quite exciting. Happy for the city of Toronto and the whole country. Happy for the Blues too. Good old Canadian boys came through!

Half the way through June and the ball season is almost done too, at least for the house league teams. This coming weekend all the Lakeland Minor Ball teams will be playing somewhere. Should be chaotic as usual. Parents with more than one player splitting up and going every which way and even some of them relying on the grandparents to transport them to the games. And trying to supply enough umpires to cover the whole league is a challenge that every association faces.

We are hosting the Peeewe baseball finals. Twelve teams are committed to coming, plus our own boys. This past week our Peeewe boys lost for the very first time this season to St. Paul, The final score was still a very respectable 10 to 9, 'Top Gunner' Crawford, 'Bo Diddley' Fontaine, Trey Calliou and the 'Mighty Casey' Warawa taking on the pitching duties. The pitching was fine but the boys were a little weak on the sticks. Three out of five innings the boys didn't score a run, and in fact watched the third strike instead of going down swinging. But overall, one bad game out of eight is pretty good in my books.

The Bantam girls had a big win this past week against Lloydminster, Paige Skarsen and Sadie Baker sharing the pitching duties and doing a fantastic job. Paige throws a wicked fast pitch. Sadie is like a change up. Her pitch was slower but she always threw strikes so she relied on the fielders and they did a good job of getting the outs, Sadie also coming up with a monster home run.

This past weekend we hosted the Softball Alberta Provincial Playdowns. Rylee 'the Rocket' Warawa and Kaylee 'Big Bird' Radcliffe, playing for the Bonnyville Angels, defeated the Lloydminster Liners two game out of three to advance to the Provincial Finals in Carstairs on the July 1st weekend.

In Bantam Boys Provincial round robins, Tyler Warawa and

the North Stars travelled to Fort Saskatchewan this past weekend, winning all three games. The Northstars finished



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Review Sports

in first place in Division One with a nine win, two loss on the season and will end up in Tier One for the next round and the Provincial finals. Here's Tyler's report:

"We played two games in Fort Saskatchewan on Saturday and one game in Leduc on Sunday. The first game on Saturday we played the host team

Fort Saskatchewan. They threw their best pitcher at us and he pitched really well, only giving up four runs over five innings. However, the Northstars' starting pitcher Brent Hoshowski wasn't to be outdone and had a great outing, pitching four innings and only giving up one run and striking out seven. Izaak Warholik came in and pitched the final three innings and only gave up three runs, striking out five. Our lead off hitter, Nolan Dechaine crushed the ball all weekend, he has done a terrific job leading off this year. We ended up winning 8-4, which put us off to a good start. (Continued on Page 6)



AWARD WINNING 'SPORTSHOUND' Doug Bassett proudly shows off his Best Sports Page certificate from the Alberta Weekly Newspapers competition and a vintage softball pen holder to help with his next set of sports notes.



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HIGHLIGHTS

June 11, 2019 Council Meeting

2019 Property Tax Notices - were mailed on May 10. If you do not receive your notice, contact Renee at 645-3301, ext. 215 to ensure that the County has your correct mailing address on file. The County Office will be open during the lunch hour until July 2nd to accommodate ratepayers during property tax season.

Payment Options - When paying property taxes online, use County of St. Paul - Taxes and enter the roll number as your account number. Enter each roll number separately. To pay property taxes with a credit card, click on the Option Pay button on the County Home Page. Please note there is a fee to use this service, which is calculated on the screen when you enter the payment amount. This fee is paid to Option Pay.

Road Construction - Road Construction started on June 10th for GBC and Double Chip Seal of TWP 590 (Correction Line). The budgeted cost of the project is \$2,194,839. Construction started at Highway 36 and is progressing East to Highway 881 and is expected to take 5 to 6 weeks depending on weather. The Construction is being completed by Carmacks and includes ripping up the cold mix, repairing unsuitable sub grade, installing new sub grade/gravel base, and ultimately completing a double chip seal on the surface. Residents are asked to use alternative routes where possible and to obey all signage when travelling through construction areas.

Fundraising Opportunity for Non-Profit Organizations - The County is looking for a group to assist with clean up after the LRA rodeo performances. The County selected group will work with a group selected by the Town of St. Paul to clean up after the performances and will receive a \$1250 honorarium as well as the right to work the rodeo supper (hand out plates at the door) in 2020 and will receive the full proceeds (approx. \$2700 to \$3,300). If you are interested in this fundraiser or would like more information, contact Phyllis at 780-645-3301, ext. 203.

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Bylaws - Council gave first reading to Bylaw 2019-11 to rezone 140.85 acres in Lot 1, Block 2, Plan 1120579 in NE 30-58-9-W4 from Agricultural to Industrial/Commercial. Council also gave first reading to Bylaw 2019-12 to amend the Municipal Development Plan and Bylaw 2019-13 to amend the Land Use Bylaw to allow the creation of a 32-acre parcel within the Agriculture District. Council approved Bylaw 2019-14 to amend the Municipal Servicing Standards to exempt Lot 1, Block 2, Plan 1120579 from requiring an Area Structure Plan.

Council Expenses - Council approved a format for the Statement of Council Fees Summary which will be published on the County website. The spreadsheet will include information on Council salary, subsistence, conference/seminar registration fees, mileage and benefits and will contain a combined total. A separate spreadsheet will also list the meetings, conventions and seminars attended by each Councillor.

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- \$3,856.34 - Mann Lakes Golf Course

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For more information contact
Tim Mahdiuk, Interim CAO, County of St. Paul
At 780-645-3301, ext. 208

Northstars wins

(Continued from Page 5)

It was right back at it to play a very tough team in Grand Prairie. We squeaked out a 9-6 win last time we played them and this game was no different. This was one of the most exciting games we have played. GP held the lead for most of the game. Seth Coubourne started pitching and although didn't have his best stuff, he battled through three innings and kept the game close. He has been one of our most reliable pitchers all year. Andon Ballas came in to face the heart of the order and gave up a few hits, but he made up for it with his bat going 2-2 with a double and a single driving in two runs. Colton Lacoursiere has become a really reliable outfielder for the team and also went 1-2 at the plate. The back and forth game continued all the way to the end. The Northstars, being the home team, were down 9-12 in the bottom of the seventh. However, with the way the boys can hit the ball, we are never out of a game. The top of the order came up

and started hitting the ball hard, then Zach Lapointe stroked a double down the line to cash in two runs to tie the game; 12-12, two out with a runner on second. Zach gets a great jump and steals third, just beating the throw. With the close play the ball found a way through the players and Zach came home on the throw for the walk off victory. A huge win for the boys as GP is one of the top teams in N1. After two big wins the team headed out to watch the Edmonton Prospects and do a little team bonding to end a great day of ball.

Sunday was a long day, as the Northstars didn't play host Leduc until 3 p.m. The game was definitely one to forget for the Northstars, they weren't ready from the start. Keegan Locke started the game and is one of the most consistent strike throwers on the team. He has also moved up the lineup this year, becoming a reliable hitter. Kobe Warawa played well defensively again this weekend and had a great game at the plate going 2-3 and cashing in two RBIs. But for the most part, the only excitement started in the top of the seventh. The Northstars were down 7-6 with one out. First year Kamden Brunet came in and delivered on of the

biggest hits he had all year with a drive to left field for the single. A much needed base runner. Finally after all day of waiting for the bats to come alive they exploded. Evan Gauthier rocked a triple to the right field fence to score a couple of runs. After pounding the ball in the top of the seventh, Evan came in and closed out the bottom of the seventh, not allowing any runs and letting the Northstars walk away with the 12-7 win. Not the prettiest win, but a win's a win. The Northstars finish 9-2 for first place overall in N1.

Baseball Alberta combines the North and South for the month of July and re-tiers all the teams. We will be in Tier 1 with seven of the best teams in AA. With 42 teams slugging it out for top spot, this is quite an achievement for this group, but they deserve to be there. The games only get harder and they are going to have to play their best to compete with the best teams in Alberta.

And now for the K. A. Campbell quote of the week. "Success isn't something that just happens - success is learned, success is practiced and then it is shared." - Sparky Anderson.

Running order

Apologies to the Elk Point Elementary Run Team, with some names missed in last week's Wind Runner coverage. We now have the comprehensive list:

TEAM 1: 1. Braylee Lesyk, 2. Evett Smereka,, 3. Kasia Morin, 4. Charlie Lesyk, 5. Madden Flamand.
TEAM 2: 1. Alic Kulzcycki, 2. Kaysen DeMoissac, 3. Amber Gilbert, 4. Ayden Vipond, 5. Raif Evans-Anderson. **SUBS:** Boe St. George, Dason Pinder, Kayl Warawa, Jacob Petruk



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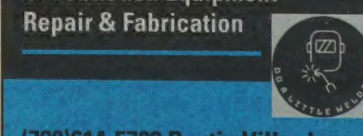
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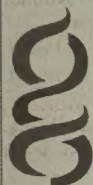
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We would also like to thank Pastor Kelly Sibley for making Rhonda's service so special. Thank you to the Empress Family Restaurant for the delicious lunch.

Rhonda's family would like to thank the Doctors and nurses and staff at the Elk Point Hospital and Bonnyville Cancer Clinic for their compassionate and excellent care throughout Rhonda's journey of fighting cancer. The family would as well like to thank Guardian Drugs in Elk Point for their pleasant help during this time. You were all so good to Rhonda, Ashley and her family.

Thank you to the community we live in, you all have supported us for the past two years.

Thank you to Grace Gardens for all you did to assist the family with making Rhonda's funeral arrangements.

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JACK AND JILL PLAYSCHOOL 'S CLASS OF 2019 (left to right) Jacob Prymak, Leah Smith, Neil Dones-Janzen, Jase Malo, George Kinch , Arianna Foster, Aspyr Kelly, Stetson Reynolds, William Clarke, Connor Erickson and Alex Habiak join instructor Tammy Klatt for a graduation picture, after a morning of fun and lunch under the huge tent supplied once again by Prairie Tech for the occasion. Earlier in the day, the students and their families toured the Klatt Ranch and visited all the animals, from guinea pigs to exotic birds to sheep, horses and llamas. with the first stop being the large pond where they saw hungry fish come up for a late breakfast. There was even time to play on swings and trampoline before lunch .sssss

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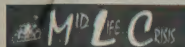
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